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SENATE BILL NO. 1241

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BRATTIN.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal sections 590.040 and 590.050, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to peace officer training requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

- Section A. Sections 590.040 and 590.050, RSMo, are
- 2 repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be
- 3 known as sections 590.040 and 590.050, to read as follows:
 - 590.040. 1. The POST commission shall set the minimum
- 2 number of hours of basic training for licensure as a peace
- 3 officer no lower than four hundred seventy and no higher
- 4 than six hundred, with the following exceptions:
- 5 (1) Up to one thousand hours may be mandated for any
- 6 class of license required for commission by a state law
- 7 enforcement agency;
- 8 (2) As few as one hundred twenty hours may be mandated
- 9 for any class of license restricted to commission as a
- 10 reserve peace officer with police powers limited to the
- 11 commissioning political subdivision;
- 12 (3) Persons validly licensed on August 28, 2001, may
- 13 retain licensure without additional basic training;
- 14 (4) Persons licensed and commissioned within a county
- of the third classification before July 1, 2002, may retain
- 16 licensure with one hundred twenty hours of basic training if
- 17 the commissioning political subdivision has adopted an order
- 18 or ordinance to that effect;

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19 (5) Persons serving as a reserve officer on August 27, 20 2001, within a county of the first classification or a 21 county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants on August 27, 2001, having 22 previously completed a minimum of one hundred sixty hours of 23 24 training, shall be granted a license necessary to function as a reserve peace officer only within such county. For the 25 26 purposes of this subdivision, the term "reserve officer" 27 shall mean any person who serves in a less than full-time 28 law enforcement capacity, with or without pay and who, without certification, has no power of arrest and who, 29 without certification, must be under the direct and 30 immediate accompaniment of a certified peace officer of the 31 same agency at all times while on duty; and 32 The POST commission shall provide for the 33 34

- (6) The POST commission shall provide for the recognition of basic training received at law enforcement training centers of other states, the military, the federal government and territories of the United States regardless of the number of hours included in such training and shall have authority to require supplemental training as a condition of eligibility for licensure.
- 2. The director shall have the authority to limit any exception provided in subsection 1 of this section to persons remaining in the same commission or transferring to a commission in a similar jurisdiction.
- 3. The basic training of every peace officer, except
 agents of the conservation commission, shall include at
 least thirty hours of training in the investigation and
 management of cases involving domestic and family violence.
 Such training shall include instruction, specific to
 domestic and family violence cases, regarding: report
 writing; physical abuse, sexual abuse, child fatalities and

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51 child neglect; interviewing children and alleged 52 perpetrators; the nature, extent and causes of domestic and 53 family violence; the safety of victims, other family and household members and investigating officers; legal rights 54 55 and remedies available to victims, including rights to compensation and the enforcement of civil and criminal 56 remedies; services available to victims and their children; 57 58 the effects of cultural, racial and gender bias in law 59 enforcement; and state statutes. Said curriculum shall be 60 developed and presented in consultation with the department of health and senior services, the children's division, 61 public and private providers of programs for victims of 62 63 domestic and family violence, persons who have demonstrated expertise in training and education concerning domestic and 64 family violence, and the Missouri coalition against domestic 65 66 violence.

4. The basic training of every peace officer, except agents of the conservation commission, shall include at least thirty hours of training and instruction in both United States constitutional law and Missouri constitutional law. Said curriculum shall be developed and presented in consultation with the Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys.

1. The POST commission shall establish requirements for the continuing education of all peace 2 3 officers. Peace officers who make traffic stops shall be required to receive three hours of training within the law 4 enforcement continuing education three-year reporting period 5 concerning the prohibition against racial profiling and such 6 7 training shall promote understanding and respect for racial and cultural differences and the use of effective, 8 noncombative methods for carrying out law enforcement duties 9

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in a racially and culturally diverse environment. Peace
officers shall also be required to receive three hours of
training within the law enforcement continuing education
three year reporting period on statutory and United States

and Missouri constitutional law updates.

- 2. The director shall license continuing education providers and may probate, suspend and revoke such licenses upon written notice stating the reasons for such action. Any person aggrieved by a decision of the director pursuant to this subsection may appeal as provided in chapter 536.
- 3. The costs of continuing law enforcement education shall be reimbursed in part by moneys from the peace officer standards and training commission fund created in section 590.178, subject to availability of funds, except that no such funds shall be used for the training of any person not actively commissioned or employed by a county or municipal law enforcement agency.
- 4. The director may engage in any activity intended to further the professionalism of peace officers through training and education, including the provision of specialized training through the department of public safety.